

HB -140

Mr. Chairman and Members of the House Fish, Wildlife and Parks Committee:

I am Ed Grady, a rancher and landowner in the Canyon Creek area.

I am here in support of HB-140. The Grady Ranches have been allowing public hunting since the early 1940's. Over the years we have watch the hunters driving four wheel trucks and other recreational vehicles burning hundreds of gallons of gas every hunting season. The cost of gas, guns, and ammunition, makes the Montana hunting license of today by far the least cost that the hunters have to pay.

I realize a lot of the public think that the department should stop purchasing more land, and I agree that the Conservation Easements are better for they leave the landowner on the land to manage it and pay the operating cost. The Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks needs more funding to maintain existing programs.

Members of the committee, I understand this bill will not do that much for the underfunded Block Management Programs, but there are other bills in this session to address this program

Again, Representatives, I hope you will support this increase in Fish, Wildlife and Parks funding.

Thank you,

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LC2408	01/20/2015	Scott Sales (R) SD 35	(C) Draft Request Received	01/20/2015	Revise laws related to state run health care clinics
LC2409	01/20/2015	Daniel R Salomon (R) HD 93	(C) Draft Request Received	01/20/2015	Generally revise agriculture laws
LC2410	01/20/2015	John Brenden (R) SD 17	(C) Draft Request Received	01/20/2015	Generally revise fish and game laws regarding seasons
LC2411	01/20/2015	Scott Staffanson (R) HD 35	(C) Draft On Hold	01/22/2015	Revise local option tax laws
LC2412	01/20/2015	Matthew Monforton (R) HD 69	(C) Draft Request Received	01/20/2015	Constitutional amendment to define person
LC2413	01/20/2015	Matthew Monforton (R) HD 69	(C) Draft Request Received	01/20/2015	Referendum establishing the Montana church and marriage officiant act
LC2414	01/20/2015	Mary Caferro (D) SD 41	(C) Draft Request Received	01/20/2015	Revise laws related to senior driver discounts
LC2415	01/23/2015	Jeff Essmann (R) HD 54	(C) Draft to Requester for Review	01/23/2015	Repeal national guard bonus program laws

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